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Filed: February 15, 2002) Examiner Bradley L. Sisson
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Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0058)
Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents	

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

Washington, D.C. 20231

This is in response to the office action dated April 15, 2004, in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on May 15, 2004.



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COVER LETTER

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[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

For	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	11	11	(Over 20)	x \$18	0.00
Independent Claims	. 3	3	(Over 3)	x \$86	0.00
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[x] Response to Office Action	[] Petition for Extension of Time
·	[] Terminal Disclaimer
[] Substitute Specification & marked-up copy	[] Letter to Draftsperson
Preliminary Amendment	[] Assignment
Other	[] Petition under

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